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## Words in Crisis

Expanding methods of relational meaning analysis, this dissertation provides an approach suited for the detection of subtle discursive dynamic shifts in large collections of (temporal) textual data. Alongside the methodological contributions, this dissertation is discourse-centered and focuses on the global financial crisis revealing patterns of discourse, subtle dynamic shifts of discursive practices at different stages of the crisis, and dominant topics at the level of media, financial, and political discourses.

The important empirical findings presented in this dissertation, challenge, extend, and refine what we know about financial, media, and political discourses in the context of the financial crisis and how different aspects of the financial crisis are manifested in discourses of different social actors.

**There is no self-understanding that is not mediated by signs, symbols, and texts. – P. Ricoeur**



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